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DETAILED ACTION

Applicant's After Final Amendment filed 11/27/2006 is acknowledged and has been entered.

Claims 1-18 are the current claims hereby under examination.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

Claim Objections

Claims 11-18 are objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form because of improper multiple dependent claims. Each of claims 11-18 are in improper multiple dependent form. A claim can only reference one other claim or depend only from one other claim and claims referencing more than one claim or depending from more than claim are considered to be in improper multiple dependent form. For example, claim 11 references or depends from claim 1 and claims 2-10, which makes claim 11 an improper multiple dependent claim. See MPEP § 608.01(n). Accordingly, the claims have not been further treated on the merits.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-10 are allowed.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments and amendment, filed 11/27/2006, with respect to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 101 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1-18 under 35 U.S.C 101 has been withdrawn.